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Applicant: Colucci et al.

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FACTORS AND METHODS FOR AND
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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO A RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Communication dated December 18, 2002, which referenced the Restriction Requirement dated October 18, 2002, Applicants elect, with traverse, the species of Pv-FRIL. Applicants respectfully aver that this examination of other species together with the species of Pv-FRIL is not unduly burdensome to the Examiner, and therefore, this species election should not be required.

Conclusion

Applicants submit that the Application is ready for substantive examination. If the Examiner believes that any further discussion of this communication would be helpful, s/he is encouraged to contact the undersigned by telephone.

No additional fees are believed to be due in connection with this communication.
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